

Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 51325
Liberty Tire Recycling, LLC
RN108717562
Docket No. 2015-1470-MSW-E

Order Type:

1660 Agreed Order

Findings Order Justification:

N/A

Media:

MSW

Small Business:

Yes

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

Liberty Tire Recycling, 118 Schaffner Road, Abilene, Taylor County

Type of Operation:

Unauthorized scrap tire storage facility

Other Significant Matters:

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

Texas Register Publication Date: February 26, 2016

Comments Received: No

Penalty Information

Total Penalty Assessed: \$22,500

Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement: \$4,500

Amount Deferred for Financial Inability to Pay: \$0

Total Paid to General Revenue: \$500

Total Due to General Revenue: \$17,500

Payment Plan: 35 payments of \$500 each

Supplemental Environmental Project (“SEP”) Conditional Offset: \$0

Name of SEP: N/A

Compliance History Classifications:

Person/CN - Satisfactory

Site/RN - Unclassified

Major Source: Yes

Statutory Limit Adjustment: N/A

Applicable Penalty Policy: April 2014

Investigation Information

Complaint Date(s): N/A

Complaint Information: N/A

Date(s) of Investigation: July 28, 2015

Date(s) of NOE(s): September 16, 2015

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Violation Information

1. Failed to obtain a scrap tire storage site registration for the Facility prior to storing more than 500 used or scrap tires on the ground or 2,000 used or scrap tires in enclosed and lockable containers. Specifically, approximately 17,600 scrap tires were stored in trailers and approximately 8,000 scrap tires were stored on the ground at the Facility [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 328.60(a)].
2. Failed to maintain an adequate fire protection system using fire hydrants or a firewater storage pond or tank at the Facility [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 328.61(g)].

Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

Corrective Action(s) Completed:

N/A

Technical Requirements:

The Order will require the Respondent to:

- a. Immediately cease storage, processing, or transportation of any additional scrap tires at the Facility until such time as proper registration is obtained.
- b. Within 30 days:
 - i. Obtain a scrap tire storage site registration for the Facility; and
 - ii. Install an adequate fire protection system at the Facility.
- c. Within 45 days, submit written certification to demonstrate compliance with a. and b.

Litigation Information

Date Petition(s) Filed: N/A
Date Answer(s) Filed: N/A
SOAH Referral Date: N/A
Hearing Date(s): N/A
Settlement Date: N/A

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Contact Information

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Holly Kneisley, Enforcement Division,
Enforcement Team 6, MC R-04, (817) 588-5856; Melissa Cordell, Enforcement
Division, MC 219, (512) 239-2483

TCEQ SEP Coordinator: N/A

Respondent: Scott W. Whitney, Chief Executive Officer, Liberty Tire Recycling, LLC,
1251 Waterfront Place, 4th Floor, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222

Respondent's Attorney: N/A



Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW)

Policy Revision 4 (April 2014)

PCW Revision March 26, 2014

DATES	Assigned	21-Sep-2015	Screening	23-Sep-2015	EPA Due	
	PCW	28-Sep-2015				

RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION

Respondent	Liberty Tire Recycling, LLC				
Reg. Ent. Ref. No.	RN108717562				
Facility/Site Region	3-Abilene	Major/Minor Source	Major		

CASE INFORMATION

Enf./Case ID No.	51325	No. of Violations	2
Docket No.	2015-1470-MSW-E	Order Type	1660
Media Program(s)	Waste Tires	Government/Non-Profit	No
Multi-Media		Enf. Coordinator	Holly Kneisley
		EC's Team	Enforcement Team 6
Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum	\$0	Maximum	\$25,000

Penalty Calculation Section

TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties) **Subtotal 1**

ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1

Subtotals 2-7 are obtained by multiplying the Total Base Penalty (Subtotal 1) by the indicated percentage.

Compliance History Adjustment **Subtotals 2, 3, & 7**

Notes

Culpability Enhancement **Subtotal 4**

Notes

Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments **Subtotal 5**

Economic Benefit Enhancement* **Subtotal 6**

Total EB Amounts
Estimated Cost of Compliance

*Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount

SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7 **Final Subtotal**

OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE Adjustment

Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

Notes

Final Penalty Amount

STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT **Final Assessed Penalty**

DEFERRAL Reduction Adjustment

Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicated percentage. (Enter number only; e.g. 20 for 20% reduction.)

Notes

PAYABLE PENALTY

Screening Date 23-Sep-2015

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PCW

Respondent Liberty Tire Recycling, LLC

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Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN108717562

Media [Statute] Waste Tires

Enf. Coordinator Holly Kneisley

Compliance History Worksheet

>> Compliance History Site Enhancement (Subtotal 2)

Component	Number of...	Enter Number Here	Adjust.
NOVs	Written notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar violations as those in the current enforcement action (<i>number of NOVs meeting criteria</i>)	0	0%
	Other written NOVs	0	0%
Orders	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability (<i>number of orders meeting criteria</i>)	0	0%
	Any adjudicated final enforcement orders, agreed final enforcement orders without a denial of liability, or default orders of this state or the federal government, or any final prohibitory emergency orders issued by the commission	0	0%
Judgments and Consent Decrees	Any non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denial of liability of this state or the federal government (<i>number of judgments or consent decrees meeting criteria</i>)	0	0%
	Any adjudicated final court judgments and default judgments, or non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees without a denial of liability, of this state or the federal government	0	0%
Convictions	Any criminal convictions of this state or the federal government (<i>number of counts</i>)	0	0%
Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events (<i>number of events</i>)	0	0%
Audits	Letters notifying the executive director of an intended audit conducted under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (<i>number of audits for which notices were submitted</i>)	0	0%
	Disclosures of violations under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (<i>number of audits for which violations were disclosed</i>)	0	0%

Please Enter Yes or No

Other	Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%
	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the executive director under a special assistance program	No	0%
	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%
	Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state or federal government environmental requirements	No	0%

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 2)

>> Repeat Violator (Subtotal 3)

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 3)

>> Compliance History Person Classification (Subtotal 7)

Adjustment Percentage (Subtotal 7)

>> Compliance History Summary

Compliance History Notes

No adjustment for compliance history.

Total Compliance History Adjustment Percentage (Subtotals 2, 3, & 7)

>> Final Compliance History Adjustment

Final Adjustment Percentage *capped at 100%

Screening Date 23-Sep-2015
 Respondent Liberty Tire Recycling, LLC
 Case ID No. 51325
 Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN108717562
 Media [Statute] Waste Tires
 Enf. Coordinator Holly Kneisley
 Violation Number 1

Docket No. 2015-1470-MSW-E

PCW

Policy Revision 4 (April 2014)
 PCW Revision March 26, 2014

Rule Cite(s)

30 Tex. Admin. Code § 328.60(a)

Violation Description

Failed to obtain a scrap tire storage site registration for the Facility prior to storing more than 500 used or scrap tires on the ground or 2,000 used or scrap tires in enclosed and lockable containers. Specifically, approximately 17,600 scrap tires were stored in trailers and approximately 8,000 scrap tires were stored on the ground at the Facility.

Base Penalty \$25,000

>> Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix

OR	Release	Harm			Percent
		Major	Moderate	Minor	
Actual					0.0%
Potential					

>> Programmatic Matrix

Falsification	Harm			Percent
	Major	Moderate	Minor	
	x			15.0%

Matrix Notes

100% of the rule requirement was not met.

Adjustment \$21,250

\$3,750

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events 2 Number of violation days 57

mark only one with an x	daily	
	weekly	
	monthly	x
	quarterly	
	semiannual	
	annual	
single event		

Violation Base Penalty \$7,500

Two monthly events are recommended from the July 28, 2015 investigation date to the September 23, 2015 screening date.

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

0.0%

Reduction \$0

Before NOE/NOV NOE/NOV to EDPRP/Settlement Offer

Extraordinary		
Ordinary		
N/A	x	(mark with x)

Notes

The Respondent does not meet the good faith criteria for this violation.

Violation Subtotal \$7,500

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Estimated EB Amount \$370

Statutory Limit Test

Violation Final Penalty Total \$7,500

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits) \$7,500

Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent Liberty Tire Recycling, LLC
Case ID No. 51325
Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN108717562
Media Waste Tires
Violation No. 1

Percent Interest 5.0
Years of Depreciation 15

Item Cost **Date Required** **Final Date** **Yrs** **Interest Saved** **Onetime Costs** **EB Amount**
Item Description No commas or \$

Delayed Costs

Item Description	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Onetime Costs	EB Amount
Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Engineering/Construction				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Remediation/Disposal	\$10,000	28-Jul-2015	23-Apr-2016	0.74	\$370	n/a	\$370
Permit Costs				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0

Notes for DELAYED costs Estimated cost to obtain a scrap tire storage site registration for the Facility. The date required is the investigation date, and the final date is the estimated date of compliance.

Avoided Costs **ANNUALIZE [1] avoided costs before entering item (except for one-time avoided costs)**

Item Description	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Onetime Costs	EB Amount
Disposal				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies/Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Financial Assurance [2]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs [3]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0

Notes for AVOIDED costs

Approx. Cost of Compliance \$10,000 **TOTAL** \$370

Screening Date 23-Sep-2015
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Violation Number
Rule Cite(s)
Violation Description

Base Penalty

>> **Environmental, Property and Human Health Matrix**

Release	Harm			Percent
	Major	Moderate	Minor	
Actual	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="30.0%"/>
Potential	<input type="text" value="x"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	

>> **Programmatic Matrix**

Falsification	Major	Moderate	Minor	Percent
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="0.0%"/>

Matrix Notes

Adjustment

Violation Events

Number of Violation Events Number of violation days

mark only one with an x	daily	<input type="text"/>
	weekly	<input type="text"/>
	monthly	<input type="text" value="x"/>
	quarterly	<input type="text"/>
	semiannual	<input type="text"/>
	annual	<input type="text"/>
	single event	<input type="text"/>

Violation Base Penalty

Good Faith Efforts to Comply

Reduction

	Before NOE/NOV	NOE/NOV to EDRP/Settlement Offer
Extraordinary	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Ordinary	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
N/A	<input type="text" value="x"/>	<input type="text" value="(mark with x)"/>

Notes

Violation Subtotal

Economic Benefit (EB) for this violation

Estimated EB Amount

Statutory Limit Test

Violation Final Penalty Total

This violation Final Assessed Penalty (adjusted for limits)

Economic Benefit Worksheet

Respondent Liberty Tire Recycling, LLC
Case ID No. 51325
Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN108717562
Media Waste Tires
Violation No. 2

Percent Interest 5.0
Years of Depreciation 15

Item Cost **Date Required** **Final Date** **Yrs** **Interest Saved** **Onetime Costs** **EB Amount**
Item Description No commas or \$

Delayed Costs

Item Description	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Onetime Costs	EB Amount
Equipment	\$10,000	28-Jul-2015	23-Apr-2016	0.74	\$25	\$493	\$518
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Engineering/Construction				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Remediation/Disposal				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Permit Costs				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0

Notes for DELAYED costs

Estimated delayed cost to install an adequate fire protection system at the Facility. The date required is the investigation date, and the final date is the estimated date of compliance.

Avoided Costs

ANNUALIZE [1] avoided costs before entering item (except for one-time avoided costs)

Item Description	Item Cost	Date Required	Final Date	Yrs	Interest Saved	Onetime Costs	EB Amount
Disposal				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Inspection/Reporting/Sampling				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies/Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Financial Assurance [2]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs [3]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0

Notes for AVOIDED costs

Approx. Cost of Compliance

\$10,000

TOTAL

\$518

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TCEQ Compliance History Report

PENDING Compliance History Report for CN603110842, RN108717562, Rating Year 2015 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2010, through August 31, 2015.

Customer, Respondent, or Owner/Operator: CN603110842, Liberty Tire Recycling, LLC **Classification:** SATISFACTORY **Rating:** 8.57

Regulated Entity: RN108717562, Liberty Tire Recycling **Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED **Rating:** -----

Complexity Points: 0 **Repeat Violator:** NO

CH Group: 14 - Other

Location: 118 SCHAFFNER ROAD ABILENE, TX 79601, TAYLOR COUNTY

TCEQ Region: REGION 03 - ABILENE

ID Number(s):

Compliance History Period: September 01, 2010 to August 31, 2015 **Rating Year:** 2015 **Rating Date:** 09/01/2015

Date Compliance History Report Prepared: September 28, 2015

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement

Component Period Selected: September 28, 2010 to September 28, 2015

TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding This Compliance History.

Name: Holly Kneisley

Phone: (817) 588-5856

Site and Owner/Operator History:

- 1) Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five year compliance period? NO
- 2) Has there been a (known) change in ownership/operator of the site during the compliance period? NO
- 3) If **YES** for #2, who is the current owner/operator? N/A
- 4) If **YES** for #2, who was/were the prior owner(s)/operator(s)? N/A
- 5) If **YES**, when did the change(s) in owner or operator occur? N/A

Components (Multimedia) for the Site Are Listed in Sections A - J

A. Final Orders, court judgments, and consent decrees:

N/A

B. Criminal convictions:

N/A

C. Chronic excessive emissions events:

N/A

D. The approval dates of investigations (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):

N/A

E. Written notices of violations (NOV) (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):

A notice of violation represents a written allegation of a violation of a specific regulatory requirement from the commission to a regulated entity. A notice of violation is not a final enforcement action, nor proof that a violation has actually occurred.

N/A

F. Environmental audits:

N/A

G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs):

N/A

H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates:

N/A

I. Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program:

N/A

J. Early compliance:

N/A

Sites Outside of Texas:

N/A

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN	§	BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION	§	
CONCERNING	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
LIBERTY TIRE RECYCLING, LLC	§	
RN108717562	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AGREED ORDER
DOCKET NO. 2015-1470-MSW-E

I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS

On _____, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the Commission" or "TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement action regarding Liberty Tire Recycling, LLC ("Respondent") under the authority of TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE ch. 361 and TEX. WATER CODE ch. 7. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division, and the Respondent together stipulate that:

1. The Respondent operates an unauthorized scrap tire storage facility at 118 Schaffner Road in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas (the "Facility").
2. The Facility involves or involved the management of municipal solid waste as defined in TEX. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE ch. 361.
3. The Executive Director and the Respondent agree that the Commission has jurisdiction to enter this Agreed Order, and that the Respondent is subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.
4. The Respondent received notice of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations") on or about September 21, 2015.
5. The occurrence of any violation is in dispute and the entry of this Agreed Order shall not constitute an admission by the Respondent of any violation alleged in Section II ("Allegations"), nor of any statute or rule.
6. An administrative penalty in the amount of Twenty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$22,500) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged

in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent has paid Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) of the administrative penalty and Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500) is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Agreed Order. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with all requirements of this Agreed Order, including the payment schedule, the Executive Director may require the Respondent to pay all or part of the deferred penalty.

The remaining amount of Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$17,500) of the administrative penalty shall be payable in 35 monthly payments of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) each. The next monthly payment shall be paid within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order. The subsequent payments shall each be paid not later than 30 days following the due date of the previous payment until paid in full. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with the payment requirements of this Agreed Order, the Executive Director may, at the Executive Director's option, accelerate the maturity of the remaining installments, in which event the unpaid balance shall become immediately due and payable without demand or notice. In addition, the failure of the Respondent to meet the payment schedule of this Agreed Order constitutes the failure by the Respondent to timely and satisfactorily comply with all the terms of this Agreed Order.

7. Any notice and procedures, which might otherwise be authorized or required in this action, are waived in the interest of a more timely resolution of the matter.
8. The Executive Director and the Respondent agree on a settlement of the matters alleged in this enforcement action, subject to final approval in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.10(a).
9. The Executive Director may, without further notice or hearing, refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings if the Executive Director determines that the Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Agreed Order.
10. This Agreed Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order, whichever is later.
11. The provisions of this Agreed Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Agreed Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.

II. ALLEGATIONS

As operator of the Facility, the Respondent is alleged to have:

1. Failed to obtain a scrap tire storage site registration for the Facility prior to storing more than 500 used or scrap tires on the ground or 2,000 used or scrap tires in enclosed and lockable containers, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 328.60(a), as documented during an investigation conducted on July 28, 2015. Specifically, approximately 17,600 scrap tires were stored in trailers and approximately 8,000 scrap tires were stored on the ground at the Facility.
2. Failed to maintain an adequate fire protection system using fire hydrants or a firewater storage pond or tank at the Facility, in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 328.61(g), as documented during an investigation conducted on July 28, 2015.

III. DENIALS

The Respondent generally denies each allegation in Section II ("Allegations").

IV. ORDERING PROVISIONS

1. It is, therefore, ordered by the TCEQ that the Respondent pay an administrative penalty as set forth in Section I, Paragraph 6 above. The payment of this administrative penalty and the Respondent's compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order resolve only the allegations in Section II. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective action or penalties for violations which are not raised here. Administrative penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: Liberty Tire Recycling, LLC, Docket No. 2015-1470-MSW-E" to:

Financial Administration Division, Revenue Operations Section
Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13088
Austin, Texas 78711-3088

2. It is further ordered that the Respondent shall undertake the following technical requirements:
 - a. Immediately upon the effective date of this Agreed Order, cease storage, processing, or transportation of any additional scrap tires at the Facility until such time as proper registration is obtained.
 - b. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order:
 - i. Obtain a scrap tire storage site registration for the Facility, in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 328.60; and

- ii. Install an adequate fire protection system at the Facility, in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 328.61.
- c. Within 45 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, submit written certification as described below, and include detailed supporting documentation including photographs, receipts, and/or other records to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision Nos. 2.a. and 2.b. The certification shall be notarized by a State of Texas Notary Public and include the following certification language:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted and all attached documents, and that based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment for knowing violations."

The certification shall be submitted to:

Order Compliance Team
Enforcement Division, MC 149A
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

with a copy to:

Waste Section Manager
Abilene Regional Office
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
1977 Industrial Boulevard
Abilene, Texas 79602-7833

- 3. The provisions of this Agreed Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Respondent. The Respondent is ordered to give notice of the Agreed Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Facility operations referenced in this Agreed Order.
- 4. If the Respondent fails to comply with any of the Ordering Provisions in this Agreed Order within the prescribed schedules, and that failure is caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe, the Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Agreed Order. The Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. The Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after the Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
- 5. The Executive Director may grant an extension of any deadline in this Agreed Order or in any plan, report, or other document submitted pursuant to this Agreed Order, upon a

written and substantiated showing of good cause. All requests for extensions by the Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until the Respondent receives written approval from the Executive Director. The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director.

6. This Agreed Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against the Respondent in a civil proceeding, unless the proceeding is brought by the OAG to: (1) enforce the terms of this Agreed Order; or (2) pursue violations of a statute within the Commission's jurisdiction, or of a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the Commission under such a statute.
7. This Agreed Order may be executed in separate and multiple counterparts, which together shall constitute a single instrument. Any page of this Agreed Order may be copied, scanned, digitized, converted to electronic portable document format ("pdf"), or otherwise reproduced and may be transmitted by digital or electronic transmission, including but not limited to facsimile transmission and electronic mail. Any signature affixed to this Agreed Order shall constitute an original signature for all purposes and may be used, filed, substituted, or issued for any purpose for which an original signature could be used. The term "signature" shall include manual signatures and true and accurate reproductions of manual signatures created, executed, endorsed, adopted, or authorized by the person or persons to whom the signatures are attributable. Signatures may be copied or reproduced digitally, electronically, by photocopying, engraving, imprinting, lithographing, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, stamping, or any other means or process which the Executive Director deems acceptable. In this paragraph exclusively, the terms "electronic transmission", "owner", "person", "writing", and "written" shall have the meanings assigned to them under TEX. BUS. ORG. CODE § 1.002.
8. The effective date of this Order is the date it is signed by the Commission. A copy of this fully executed Order shall be provided to each of the parties.

SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission

Date



For the Executive Director

4/19/16

Date

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the attached Agreed Order. I am authorized to agree to the attached Agreed Order on behalf of the entity indicated below my signature, and I do agree to the terms and conditions specified therein. I further acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payment for the penalty amount, is materially relying on such representation.

I also understand that failure to comply with the Ordering Provisions, if any, in this order and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amount, may result in:

- A negative impact on compliance history;
- Greater scrutiny of any permit applications submitted;
- Referral of this case to the Attorney General's Office for contempt, injunctive relief, additional penalties, and/or attorney fees, or to a collection agency;
- Increased penalties in any future enforcement actions;
- Automatic referral to the Attorney General's Office of any future enforcement actions; and
- TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by law.

In addition, any falsification of any compliance documents may result in criminal prosecution.



Signature

21 Jan 2016

Date

SCOTT W. WHITNEY

Name (Printed or typed)
Authorized Representative of
Liberty Tire Recycling, LLC

CEO

Title

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